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## REQUEST 09/885,005 Application Number **FOR** June 21, 2001 Filing Date CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) KURODA TRANSMITTAL First Named Inventor 2621 Address to: Group Art Unit Mail Stop RCE H. Shibru Commissioner for Patents Examiner Name

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8. 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2. 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. a. Previously submitted (Note: Any previously filed unentered amendments will be entered unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such i Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on iii. 🔲 Other 12/20/2006 MGEBREM1 00000071 141140 09885835 b. Enclosed 01 FC:1801 Ì. 790.00 DA Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) ii. iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) □ Other İν. 2. Miscellaneous a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 35 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for Months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) b. 🔲 Other <u>12/20</u>/2006 MGEBREH1 GG000071 141140 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE fled 1252 09885305 450.00 DA a. Applicant claims "small entity" status. b. Fees are attached as calculated below: RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1,17(e) \$790.00 (1801)/\$395.00 (2801) \$ 790.00 ii Petition is made to extend the due date two months (less months previously paid) \$ 450.00 iii. 

Other Additional claim fees 350.00 enclosed. d. Payment by credit card (credit card payment form attached) in the amount of \$ e. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the fees of 1590.00 for this submission (and any deficiencies) to Deposit Account No. 14-1140 SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED 34,725 Michael J. Shea Name (Print Type) Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) December 19, 2006 Signature Date CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner For Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on: December 19, 2006 Michael J. Shea Name (Print Type) December 19, 2006 Signature Date

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